

CITY OF GREENSBORO FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

City Response to Beloved Community Center Report

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GREENSBORO, NC (April 4, 2013) – The City of Greensboro provides the following response to the Beloved Community Center's (BCC) "Our Democratic Mission" report.

City Statement

Upon review, the City has found the BCC report to be factually inaccurate and incomplete. In each case, no evidence of malice, double standards, inequality, or investigatory abuse on the part of the City or the Greensboro Police Department is evident. It draws unfair conclusions about the Greensboro Police Department and oversight of its activities and management. The report also fails to note that all of these cases have been vetted through review and/or appeal processes both inside and outside the police department with no indications of impropriety in any way.

While the City is sensitive to community concerns of abuse and employee misconduct, systems are in place to identify and correct issues that may arise. However, there is no evidence to indicate a systemic problem within the Greensboro Police Department exists.

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The City works with the community to improve the quality of life for residents through inclusion, diversity, and trust. As the seventh largest employer in Greensboro, the City has a professional staff of 2,800 employees who maintain the values of honesty, integrity, stewardship, and respect. The City is governed by a council-manager form of government with a mayor and eight council members. For more information on the City, visit www.greensboro-nc.gov or call 336-373-CITY (2489).